

Minutes for the Grant Committee meeting of February 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. with Chris French, Wanda Freeman, Darla Rippee and Doris French present. Heidi Pitt was absent.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Darla and seconded by Chris. Motion passed.

An agenda was made and a motion to approve it was made by Doris and seconded by Darla. Motion passed.

Fire Dept. - The board wants to bid on a house going on the market. If they get it, this committee will research money to purchase it. And after plans are approved, money to start building the new fire barn and parking. The DNR has expressed interest in a partnership. If so, the four foundations, state and federal governments will look more favorably on approving grants. The chief has information on a grant writer for the federal grants. Wanda will contact him to see if they can write this grant also.

Park – we discussed the order in which we want to pursue items for the park. 1. diamond dust – Doris will check on costs for this and write the Loon grant again this year. 2. a parking study to see just how much expanded parking is needed. 3. volleyball net and balls, basketball. 4. trails. 5. pavilion. These may be put on hold if this committee is requested to get grants for the fire barn.

Landscaping – we discussed the remaining landscaping needed. Darla said the board may hire a landscaper.

Signage – Doris will check with Heidi to see if she contacted the road commission. Chris suggested we contact the church on the southwest corner of 9 Mile and M-20 to see if we can put up a sign there. The sign will point people to the hall, park and cemetery.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2017.

A motion to adjourn was made by Darla and seconded by Chris and the meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris French
Secretary